

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning page 6, lines 17-27 with the following amended paragraph:

A1 --- FIG.4 is a functional block diagram showing the IFAX processing section 400 of the IFAX according to the above embodiment. The scanner controlling section 200 sends row image data (for example, bit map data) scanned by the scanner 16 to the IFAX processing section 400. In the IFAX processing section 400, a compressing and decompressing section 401 compresses row image data in a compression format such as MH, and obtains compressed files. The compression is carried out in unit of one page of original. A ~~TIFRF~~ TIFF converting section 402 converts these compressed files to one TIFF (Tag Image File Format). ---